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IN THE CLAIMS

1-46 (Canceled)

47. (Original) A method for forming an electronic packaging assembly, comprising: forming a silicon interposer, wherein the interposer includes micro-machined vias formed through the silicon interposer;

attaching a number of flip chips to the silicon interposer, wherein the flip chips couple to the micro-machined vias; and

coupling a Peltier element to at least one of the flip chips.

48 (Original) The method of claim 47, wherein attaching a number of flip chips to the silicon interposer includes:

coupling a microprocessor chip to the silicon interposer; and coupling a memory chip to the silicon interposer.

- 49. (Original) The method of claim 48, wherein coupling a memory chip to the silicon interposer includes coupling a dynamic random access memory (DRAM) chip to the silicon interposer.
- 50. (Original) The method of claim 48, wherein the method further includes coupling capacitor to the silicon interposer.
- 51. (Original) The method of claim 47, wherein coupling a Peltier element to at least one of the flip chips includes coupling a Copper (Cu) and p-type semiconductor junction to the flip chip.
- 52. (Original) The method of claim 51, wherein coupling a Copper (Cu) and p-type semiconductor junction to the flip chip includes coupling a p-type semiconductor selected from the group consisting of p-doped Bismuth Telluride (Bi₂Te₃), p-doped Lead Telluride (PbTe), and p-doped Silicon Germanium (SiGe).

- 53. (Original) The method of claim 47, wherein coupling a Peltier element to at least one of the flip chips includes coupling a Copper (Cu) and n-type semiconductor junction to the flip chip.
- 54. (Original) The method of claim 53, wherein coupling a Copper (Cu) and n-type semiconductor junction to the flip chip includes coupling an n-type semiconductor selected from the group consisting of n-doped Bismuth Telluride (Bi₃Te₂), n-doped Lead Telluride (PbTe), and n-doped Silicon Germanium (SiGe).
- 55. (Original) A method for packaging an integrated circuit, comprising:

 providing a silicon interposer having opposing sides;

 coupling a semiconductor chip to each of the opposing sides of the silicon interposer;

 coupling the semiconductor chips on each side of the silicon interposer to one another
 through the silicon interposer by a number of micro-machined vias, wherein the micro-machined
 vias provide electrical connections between the opposing sides of the silicon interposer; and

 coupling a Peltier element to at least one of the of the semiconductor chips.
- 56. (Original) The method of claim 55, wherein coupling the Peltier element to at least one of the semiconductor chips includes coupling a metal-to-semiconductor Peltier element, wherein the semiconductor includes either an n or p-doped semiconductor alloy formed between Antimony (Sb) and a transition metal (T) from Group VIII, including Cobalt, Rhodium, and Iridium (Co, Rh, and Ir), and wherein the alloy has the general formula Tsb₃.
- 57. (Original) The method of claim 55, wherein coupling the Peltier element to at least one of the semiconductor chips includes coupling a metal-to-semiconductor Peltier element, wherein the semiconductor includes either an n or p-doped superlattice comprising alternating layers of (PbTeSe)_m and (BiSb)_n where m and n are the number of PbTeSe and BiSb monolayers per superlattice period.
- 58. (Original) The method of claim 55, wherein coupling the Peltier element to at least one of the semiconductor chips includes coupling a metal-to-semiconductor Peltier element, wherein the semiconductor is a doped complex oxide.

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- 59. (Original) The method of claim 55, wherein coupling the Peltier element to at least one of the semiconductor chips includes coupling a metal-to-semiconductor Peltier element, wherein the semiconductor is selected from the group consisting of n-doped Bismuth Telluride (Bi₂Te₃), n-doped Lead Telluride (PbTe), and n-doped Silicon Germanium (SiGe).
- 60. (Original) The method of claim 55, wherein coupling a semiconductor chip to each of the opposing sides of the silicon interposer includes attaching a microprocessor chip to the first side of the silicon interposer.
- 61. (Original) The method of claim 55, wherein coupling a semiconductor chip to each of the opposing sides of the silicon interposer includes attaching a DRAM chip to a second side of the silicon interposer.
- 62. (Original) A method for packaging an integrated circuit, comprising:

 providing a silicon interposer having opposing sides;

 coupling a semiconductor chip to each of the opposing sides of the silicon interposer;

 coupling the semiconductor chips on each side of the silicon interposer to one another through the silicon interposer by a number of micro-machined vias, wherein the micro-machined vias provide electrical connections between the opposing sides of the silicon interposer;

coupling a metal-to-semiconductor junction to at least one of the of the semiconductor chips, wherein the semiconductor includes a doped complex oxide semiconductor.

- 63. (Original) The method of claim 62, wherein coupling a doped complex oxide semiconductor includes coupling an n-doped complex oxide semiconductor comprising Strontium (Sr) and Titanium (Ti).
- 64. (Original) The method of claim 62, wherein coupling a doped complex oxide semiconductor includes coupling an oxygen deficient n-doped complex oxide semiconductor.
- 65. (Original) A method for packaging an integrated circuit, comprising: providing a silicon interposer having opposing sides;

coupling a semiconductor chip to each of the opposing sides of the silicon interposer; coupling the semiconductor chips on each side of the silicon interposer to one another through the silicon interposer by a number of micro-machined vias, wherein the micro-machined vias provide electrical connections between the opposing sides of the silicon interposer;

coupling a metal-to-semiconductor junction to at least one of the semiconductor chips, wherein the semiconductor includes an n-doped superlattice comprising alternating layers of $(PbTeSe)_m$ and $(BiSb)_n$ where m and n are the number of PbTeSe and BiSb monolayers per superlattice period.

66. (Original) A method for packaging an integrated circuit, comprising:

providing a silicon interposer having opposing sides;

coupling a semiconductor chip to each of the opposing sides of the silicon interposer;

coupling the semiconductor chips on each side of the silicon interposer to one another through the silicon interposer by a number of micro-machined vias, wherein the micro-machined vias provide electrical connections between the opposing sides of the silicon interposer;

coupling a metal-to-semiconductor junction to at least one of the of the semiconductor chips, wherein the semiconductor includes either an n or p-doped semiconductor alloy formed between Antimony (Sb) and a transition metal (T) from Group VIII, including Cobalt, Rhodium, and Iridium (Co, Rh, and Ir), and wherein the alloy has the general formula TSb₃.

67. (Original) A method for cooling an integrated circuit, comprising:

providing a silicon interposer having opposing sides;

coupling a first semiconductor chip to a first side of the silicon interposer;

coupling a second semiconductor chip to a second side of the silicon interposer, wherein a number of electrical connections through the silicon interposer couple the first semiconductor chip to the second semiconductor;

forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction which couples to the first semiconductor chip on the first side of the silicon interposer; and

passing current through the metal-to-semiconductor junction in a direction such that a Peltier cooling effect occurs adjacent to the first semiconductor chip.

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- 68. (Original) The method of claim 67, wherein coupling a first semiconductor chip to the first side of the silicon interposer includes coupling a microprocessor chip to the first side.
- 69. (Original) The method of claim 67, wherein coupling a second semiconductor chip to the second side of the silicon interposer includes coupling a memory chip to the second side of the silicon interposer.
- 70. (Original) The method of claim 67, wherein forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction includes forming a Copper (Cu) and doped Bismuth Telluride (Bi₂Te₃) junction.
- 71. (Original) The method of claim 70, wherein forming a forming a Copper (Cu) and doped Bismuth Telluride (Bi₂Te₃) junction includes using vacuum evaporation to form a thin film of p-doped Bismuth Telluride (Bi₂Te₃).
- 72. (Original) The method of claim 67, wherein forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction includes forming a Copper (Cu) and doped Antimony Telluride (Sb₂Te₃) junction, wherein forming a forming a Copper (Cu) and doped Antimony Telluride (Sb₂Te₃) junction includes using vacuum evaporation to form a thin film of doped Antimony Telluride (Sb₂Te₃).
- 73. (Original) The method of claim 67, wherein forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction includes forming a Copper (Cu) and doped semiconductor junction, wherein the semiconductor is selected from Bismuth Telluride (Bi₂Te₃), Lead Telluride (PbTe), and Silicon Germanium (SiGe).
- 74. (Original) The method of claim 67, wherein forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction includes forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction which includes a doped superlattice junction, wherein the doped superlattice includes alternating layers of (PbTeSe)_m and (BiSb)_n where m and n are the number of PbTeSe and BiSb monolayers per superlattice period.
- 75. (Original) The method of claim 67, wherein forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction includes forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction wherein the semiconductor includes a

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complex oxide semiconductor, and wherein the complex oxide semiconductor includes Strontium (Sr) and Titanium (Ti).

76. (Original) A method for heating an integrated circuit, comprising: providing a silicon interposer having opposing sides; coupling a first semiconductor chip to a first side of the silicon interposer; coupling a second semiconductor chip to a second side of the silicon interposer, wherein a number of electrical connections through the silicon interposer couple the first semiconductor chip to the second semiconductor;

forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction which couples to the first semiconductor chip on the first side of the silicon interposer; and

passing current through the metal-to-semiconductor junction in a direction such that a Peltier heating effect occurs adjacent to the first semiconductor chip.

- 77. (Original) The method of claim 76, wherein coupling a first semiconductor chip to the first side of the silicon interposer includes coupling a microprocessor chip to the first side.
- 78. (Original) The method of claim 76, wherein coupling a second semiconductor chip to the second side of the silicon interposer includes coupling a memory chip to the second side of the silicon interposer.
- 79. (Original) The method of claim 76, wherein forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction includes forming a metal-to doped semiconductor junction wherein the semiconductor is selected from Bismuth Telluride (Bi₂Te₃), Lead Telluride (PbTe), and Silicon Germanium (SiGe).
- 80. (Original) The method of claim 76, wherein forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction includes forming a metal and doped superlattice junction, wherein the doped superlattice includes alternating layers of (PbTeSe)_m and (BiSb)_n where m and n are the number of PbTeSe and BiSb monolayers per superlattice period.

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- 81. (Original) The method of claim 76, wherein forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction includes forming a metal and doped complex oxide semiconductor, wherein the complex oxide semiconductor includes Strontium (Sr) and Titanium (Ti).
- 82. (Original) A method for cooling an integrated circuit, comprising:

 providing a silicon interposer having opposing sides;

 coupling a first semiconductor chip to a first side of the silicon interposer;

 coupling a second semiconductor chip to a second side of the silicon interposer, wherein a number of electrical connections through the silicon interposer couple the first semiconductor chip to the second semiconductor;

forming a metal-to-semiconductor junction which couples to the first semiconductor chip on the first side of the silicon interposer, wherein forming the metal-to-semiconductor junction includes forming a Copper (Cu) and n or p-doped semiconductor junction wherein the semiconductor is selected from Bismuth Telluride (Bi₂Te₃), Lead Telluride (PbTe), and Silicon Germanium (SiGe); and

passing current through the metal-to-semiconductor junction in a direction such that a Peltier cooling effect occurs adjacent to the first semiconductor chip.

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CONCLUSION

Claims 1-46 have been canceled. Claims 47-82 are therefor now pending. The Examiner is invited to contact the below-signed attorney with any questions regarding the present application.

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